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EXPONENTIAL APPROXIMATION IN THE NORMS AND SEMI-NORMS

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The deviations of some entire functions of exponential type from real-valued functions and their derivatives are estimated. As approximation metrics we use the L^p -norms and power variations on \mathbb{R} . Theorems presented here correspond to the Ganelius and Popov results concerning the one-sided trigonometric approximation of periodic functions (see [4, 5 and 8]). Some related facts were announced in [2, 3, 6 and 7].

1. Notation. Given a number $p \geq 1$, let $L^p(a, b)$ be the space of all complex-valued functions Lebesgue-integrable with p -th power on the interval (a, b) . Denote by $L^\infty(a, b)$ the space of all measurable functions essentially bounded on (a, b) . As usually, the norm of the function $f \in L^p(a, b)$ is defined by

$$\|f\|_{L^p(a, b)} = \begin{cases} \left(\int_a^b |f(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} & \text{if } p < \infty. \\ \text{ess sup}_{x \in (a, b)} |f(x)| & \text{if } p = \infty. \end{cases}$$

We write L^p instead of $L^p(-\infty, \infty)$. Moreover, by convention, $L = L^1$.

Let L^p_{loc} be the class of all complex-valued functions belonging to every space $L^p(a, b)$, with finite a, b ($a < b$). Denote by AC^m_{loc} the class of complex-valued functions f having the derivative $f^{(m)}$ absolutely continuous on each finite interval (a, b) .

For any function $f \in L^p_{\text{loc}}$, the limit

$$\lim_{-a, b \rightarrow \infty} \|f\|_{L^p(a, b)} = \|f\|_p$$

is finite or infinite. In the case of $f \in L^p$,

$$\|f\|_p = \|f\|_{L^p} < \infty.$$

Consider a (complex-valued) function f defined on the interval $I = (a, b)$. Write

$$V_p(f; I) = \sup_{\pi} \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^m |f(x_j) - f(x_{j-1})|^p \right\}^{1/p} \quad (0 < p < \infty),$$

where the supremum is taken over all finite systems π of the intervals $\langle x_0, x_1 \rangle, \langle x_1, x_2 \rangle, \dots, \langle x_{m-1}, x_m \rangle$ ($x_0 = a, x_m = b; m = 1, 2, \dots$). This quantity is often called the p -th power variation of f on I . If f is defined on $\mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$, we can also introduce the p -th (power) variation

$$V_p(f) = V_p(f; \mathbb{R}) = \sup_I V_p(f; I) \quad (I \subset \mathbb{R}).$$

We assume, additionally, that

$$V_\infty(f) = V_\infty(f; \mathbb{R}) = \sup_{s, t \in \mathbb{R}} |f(s) - f(t)|.$$

As well known, $V_p(f) \geq V_q(f)$, if $0 < p < q \leq \infty$.

Denote by BV^p [resp. BV_{loc}^p] the class of all complex-valued functions φ with finite p -th variation $V_p(\varphi; \mathbb{R})$ [$V_p(\varphi; I)$ for each finite interval I]. Obviously, an arbitrary function $f \in BV^p$ [resp. $f \in BV_{loc}^p$] is bounded on \mathbb{R} [on finite intervals I]. Moreover, any f of class BV_{loc}^p ($0 < p < \infty$) has one at most enumerable set of discontinuity points x at which the one-sided limits $f(x \pm 0)$ exist. The class BV^p ($p \geq 1$) with non-negative functional $V_p(\varphi)$ is a certain semi-normed space.

Let E_σ be the class of all entire functions of exponential type, of order σ at most. Denote by $B_{\sigma,p}$ ($0 < \sigma < \infty$, $1 \leq p \leq \infty$) the set of functions $F \in E_\sigma$ which belong to L^p (on \mathbb{R}). Write $B_\sigma \equiv B_{\sigma,\infty}$. As well known [10, p. 248], $B_{\sigma,p} \subset B_{\sigma,q}$ if $1 \leq p < q \leq \infty$.

Suppose that f is a fixed function of class L_{loc}^p [resp. BV_{loc}^p] ($p \geq 1$). Denote by $H_{\sigma,p}(f)$ [resp. $D_{\sigma,p}(f)$] the set of all functions $G \in E_\sigma$ such that $f - G \in L^p$ [$f - G \in BV^p$]. Introduce the quantities

$$A_\sigma(f)_p \equiv \begin{cases} \inf_{s \in H_{\sigma,p}(f)} \|f - s\|_p, & \text{if } H_{\sigma,p}(f) \text{ is not empty} \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and

$$\nabla_\sigma(f)_p \equiv \begin{cases} \inf_{s \in D_{\sigma,p}(f)} V_p(f - s), & \text{if } D_{\sigma,p}(f) \text{ is not empty} \\ \infty & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The first [resp. the second] of them is called the best exponential approximation of f by entire functions of class E_σ , in L^p -norm [in BV^p -semi-norm].

We will write $W'BV^p$ for the class consisting of all functions $\varphi \in AC_{loc}^{r-1}$ such that $\varphi^{(r)} \in BV^p$ ($r \in \mathbb{N}$, $p \geq 1$). The symbols c_k [resp. $c_l(r, \dots)$] ($k, l \in \mathbb{N}$) will mean some positive absolute constants [positive numbers depending only on the indicated parameters r, \dots].

2. Fundamental lemmas. Let us begin with an analogue of the well-known Bernstein inequality.

Lemma 1. If $G \in B_\sigma$ ($0 < \sigma < \infty$), then

$$(1) \quad V_p(G') \leq \sigma V_p(G) \text{ for each } p \geq 1.$$

Proof. Putting

$$u_k \equiv \frac{2k+1}{2\sigma} \pi \quad (k=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots),$$

we have

$$(2) \quad G'(t) = \frac{1}{\sigma} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{u_k^2} G(t + u_k)$$

for all real t (see e. g. [10, p. 216]).

Consider an arbitrary partition

$$\{a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_{m-1} < x_m = b\}$$

of a finite interval $\langle a, b \rangle$. By the identity (2) and Minkowski's inequality, for every finite $p \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^m |G'(x_j) - G'(x_{j-1})|^p \right\}^{1/p} \\
& \leq \frac{1}{\sigma} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{u_k^2} \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^m |G(t_j + u_k) - G(t_{j-1} + u_k)|^p \right\}^{1/p} \\
& \leq \frac{1}{\sigma} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{u_k^2} V_p(G; R) = \frac{8\sigma}{\pi^2} V_p(G; R) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k+1)^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

This gives (1) for finite $p \geq 1$. If $p = \infty$, the proof is trivial.

Consider now functions φ belonging to the space L^q ($1 \leq q \leq \infty$). Introduce the singular integral

$$(3) \quad W[\varphi](z) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(t) K_{\sigma}(z-t) dt \quad (z = x + iy),$$

with

$$K_{\sigma}(\zeta) = (\cos \sigma \zeta - \cos 2\sigma \zeta) / (\sigma \zeta^2) \quad (0 < \sigma < \infty).$$

Clearly, $K_{\sigma} \in B_{2\sigma, 1}$.

As well known, $W[\varphi] \in B_{2\sigma}$ and in the case of $\varphi \in B_{\sigma, q}$

$$W[\varphi](x) = \varphi(x) \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}).$$

Further, $\|K_{\sigma}\|_1 \leq c_1 \pi$ ($c_1 \leq 2 + 4\pi^{-2} \log 3$). Consequently, $\|W[\varphi]\|_q \leq c_1 \|\varphi\|_q$, i. e., $W[\varphi] \in L^q$ (see [1, Sect. 106]).

An easy calculation leads to

Lemma 2. *Let $\varphi \in BV^p$ ($1 \leq p \leq \infty$). Then*

$$V_p(W[\varphi]) \leq c_1 V_p(\varphi).$$

Given a positive number c and a positive integer r , let ρ be an even real-valued function continuous with its derivatives ρ' , ρ'' on \mathbb{R} , satisfying the conditions

$$1^0 \quad \rho(0) = \rho'(0) = 0,$$

$$2^0 \quad \rho'(t) = o(t^{r+1}) \text{ and } \rho''(t) = O(t^r) \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0+,$$

$$3^0 \quad \rho(t) = 1 \text{ for all } t \geq c.$$

Consider the Bernoulli type function

$$\Phi_r(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\alpha}^{\alpha} \frac{\rho(t)}{(it)^r} e^{itx} dt \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}).$$

As well known, Φ_r is real-valued bounded and Lebesgue-integrable on \mathbb{R} . In the case of $r \geq 2$, it is continuous everywhere ([1, Sect. 101]).

Lemma 3. *If $\sigma \geq c$, then there exist entire functions $P_{\sigma, r}$, $Q_{\sigma, r} \in B_{\sigma, 1}$ such that*

$$1^0 \quad P_{\sigma, r}(x) \geq \Phi_r(x), \quad Q_{\sigma, r}(x) \leq \Phi_r(x) \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$2^0 \quad \|P_{\sigma, r}^{(v)} - \Phi_r^{(v)}\|_1 \leq \frac{c_2(r, v)}{\sigma^{r-v}}, \quad \|\Phi_r^{(v)} - Q_{\sigma, r}^{(v)}\|_1 \leq \frac{c_2(r, v)}{\sigma^{r-v}} \text{ for } v = 0, 1, \dots, r.$$

The proof is given in [9] (see also [6, Sect. 2]).

Finally, we will present the following supplementary

Lemma 4. *Let $f \in BV_{loc}^p$ ($1 \leq p \leq \infty$) and let $\nabla_{\sigma}(f)_p = 0$ for some finite $\sigma > 0$. Then there exists an entire function $F \in E_{\sigma}$ such that $F(x) = f(x)$ for all real x .*

Proof. Consider a function $f \in BV^p$ ($1 \leq p \leq \infty$). By the assumption for every $v \in \mathbb{N}$, there are entire functions $F_v \in E_\sigma$ satisfying the condition

$$(4) \quad \sup_{u, v \in \mathbb{R}} |f(u) - F_v(u) - f(v) + F_v(v)| \leq \frac{1}{v}.$$

Without loss of generality, we may suppose that $f(0) = F_v(0) = 0$.

From (4) it follows that $|f(u) - F_v(u)| \leq v^{-1}$ ($v = 1, 2, \dots$), uniformly in $u \in \mathbb{R}$. Consequently, $\lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} F_v(u) = f(u)$, uniformly on \mathbb{R} , and $\sup_{u \in \mathbb{R}} |F_v(u)| \leq M$ for $v = 1, 2, \dots$, where $M = 1 + \sup_{u \in \mathbb{R}} |f(u)| < \infty$.

Further, if $z = x + iy$ is an arbitrary complex number, the Bernstein inequality leads to

$$|F_v(z)| \leq M e^{\sigma|y|} \quad (v = 1, 2, \dots)$$

and

$$|F_v(z) - F_\mu(z)| \leq M e^{\sigma|y|} \sup_{u \in \mathbb{R}} |F_v(u) - F_\mu(u)| \quad (\mu, v \in \mathbb{N})$$

(see [1, Sect. 83]). Hence, in view of the well-known Weierstrass Theorem, the limit $\lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} F_v(z) = F(z)$ is finite for every complex z , $F \in E_\sigma$ and $F(x) = f(x)$ on \mathbb{R} .

In the general case, when $f \in BV_{loc}^p$, the starting point is similar to that of Theorem 1 in Sect. 107 of [1].

3. Main results. Now, some approximation theorems will be given.

Theorem 1. Let f be a real-valued function of class AC_{loc}^{r-1} ($r \in \mathbb{N}$), having the derivative $f^{(r)} \in BV_{loc}^p$ ($1 \leq p \leq \infty$), and let $\nabla_c(f^{(r)})_p < \infty$ for some positive number c . Then for every $\sigma \geq c$, there exists an entire function $T_\sigma \in E_\sigma$ such that

$$1^\circ T_\sigma(x) \geq f(x) \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$2^\circ V_p(T_\sigma - f) \leq c_3(r) \sigma^{-r} \nabla_\sigma(f^{(r)})_p.$$

Proof. Given any $\lambda > 1$, let us choose an entire function $g_\sigma \in E_\sigma$, real-valued on \mathbb{R} such that

$$(5) \quad V_p(f^{(r)} - g_\sigma^{(r)}) \leq \lambda \nabla_\sigma(f^{(r)})_p \quad (\sigma \geq c).$$

Retain the symbols $\Phi_r, P_{\sigma,r}, Q_{\sigma,r}$ used in Lemma 3.

By the well-known theorem ([1, Sect. 101]), for all real x ,

$$f(x) - g_\sigma(x) = \Omega_c(x) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \{f^{(r)}(t) - g_\sigma^{(r)}(t)\} \Phi_r(x-t) dt,$$

where Ω_c denotes some entire function of class E_c , real-valued on \mathbb{R} . Therefore, putting

$$\Lambda(z) \equiv g_\sigma(z) + \Omega_c(z) \quad (z = x + iy)$$

and

$$h^+(t) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \{ |f^{(r)}(t) - g_\sigma^{(r)}(t)| + f^{(r)}(t) - g_\sigma^{(r)}(t) \},$$

$$h^-(t) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \{ |f^{(r)}(t) - g_\sigma^{(r)}(t)| - f^{(r)}(t) + g_\sigma^{(r)}(t) \},$$

we can write

$$f(x) = \Lambda(x) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^+(t) \Phi_r(x-t) dt - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^-(t) \Phi_r(x-t) dt \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}).$$

Introduce the function of a complex variable z :

$$T_\sigma(z) = \Lambda(z) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^+(t) P_{\sigma,r}(z-t) dt - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^-(t) Q_{\sigma,r}(z-t) dt.$$

It is easy to show that $T_\sigma \in E_\sigma$ (see the proof of Lemma 4).

The identity

$$T_\sigma(x) - f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^+(t) \{P_{\sigma,r}(x-t) - \Phi_r(x-t)\} dt + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^-(t) \{\Phi_r(x-t) - Q_{\sigma,r}(x-t)\} dt$$

ensures that $T_\sigma(x) \geq f(x)$ for all real x . Furthermore, by Minkowski's inequality, (5) and Lemma 3,

$$\begin{aligned} V_p(T_\sigma - f) &\leq V_p(h^+) \|P_{\sigma,r} - \Phi_r\|_1 + V_p(h^-) \|\Phi_r - Q_{\sigma,r}\|_1 \\ &\leq V_p(f^{(r)} - g_\sigma^{(r)}) \{ \|P_{\sigma,r} - \Phi_r\|_1 + \|\Phi_r - Q_{\sigma,r}\|_1 \} \\ &\leq \lambda \nabla_\sigma(f^{(r)})_p \cdot 2c_2(r, 0) \sigma^{-r}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the proof is completed.

The following related result can be obtained parallelly (cf. Ths 3.2, 3.3 of [6], Th. 4.5 of [7] and Ths 3, 4 of [3]).

Theorem 1'. Let f be a real-valued function of class AC_{loc}^{r-1} , with $f^{(r)} \in L_{loc}^p$ ($1 \leq p < \infty$), and let $A_c(f^{(r)})_p < \infty$ for some positive number c . Then for every $\sigma \geq c$, there exists an entire function $\tilde{T}_\sigma \in E_\sigma$ such that

- 1° $\tilde{T}_\sigma(x) \geq f(x)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$,
- 2° $\|\tilde{T}_\sigma - f\|_p \leq c_4(r) \sigma^{-r} A_\sigma(f^{(r)})_p$.

Remark. Theorems 1, 1' in which the conditions 1° are dropped remain also valid for complex-valued functions f .

Proposition 1. Let $\psi \in L$ and let $\psi' \in BV^p$ ($1 \leq p \leq \infty$). Suppose that for some entire function G of class E_σ ($0 < \sigma < \infty$) the estimate

$$(6) \quad V_p(\psi - G) \leq c_5 \sigma^{-1} V_p(\psi')$$

holds. Then

$$(7) \quad V_p(\psi' - G') \leq c_\sigma V_p(\psi').$$

Proof. It can easily be observed that the function ψ is uniformly continuous and bounded on \mathbb{R} ; whence $\psi \in L^a$ for each $a \geq 1$. From (6) it follows that $G \in B_\sigma$.

Consider the operator W defined by (3). Since $W[\psi] \in B_{2\sigma,1}$, we have $W'[\psi] \in B_{2\sigma,1}$. Therefore, $W[\psi] \in BV^p$ and in view of Lemma 2,

$$\nabla_\sigma(W[\psi])_p \leq V_p(W[\psi] - G) = V_p(W[\psi - G]) \leq c_1 V_p(\psi - G),$$

i. e.

$$(8) \quad \nabla_\sigma(W[\psi])_p \leq c_1 c_5 \sigma^{-1} V_p(\psi').$$

Given any $\lambda > 1$, let $S[W[\psi]]$ be an entire function of class B_σ such that

$$(9) \quad V_p(W[\psi] - S[W[\psi]]) \leq \lambda \nabla_\sigma(W[\psi])_p.$$

By subadditivity of p -th variation,

$$\begin{aligned} V_p(\psi' - G') &\leq V_p(\psi' - W[\psi']) + V_p(S'[W[\psi]] - G') \\ &\quad + V_p(W[\psi'] - S'[W[\psi]]) = N_1 + N_2 + N_3, \end{aligned}$$

and (see Lemma 2)

$$N_1 \leq V_p(\psi') + V_p(W[\psi']) \leq (1 + c_1) V_p(\psi').$$

From Lemma 1, (9), (8) and (6) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} N_2 &\leq \sigma V_p(S[W[\psi]] - G) \leq \sigma \{V_p(S[W[\psi]] - W[\psi]) \\ &\quad + V_p(W[\psi] - G)\} \leq \sigma \{\lambda \nabla_\sigma(W[\psi])_p + c_1 V_p(\psi - G)\} \\ &\leq \sigma \{\lambda c_1 c_5 \sigma^{-1} V_p(\psi') + c_1 c_5 \sigma^{-1} V_p(\psi')\} = (\lambda + 1) c_1 c_5 V_p(\psi'). \end{aligned}$$

Since $W[\psi'] = W'[\psi]$ ($W[\psi] \in B_{2\sigma}$), we have

$$N_3 = V_p(W'[\psi] - S'[W[\psi]])$$

$$\leq 2\sigma V_p(W[\psi] - S[W[\psi]]) \leq 2\sigma \lambda \nabla_\sigma(W[\psi])_p,$$

by Lemma 1 and (9). Applying (8), we get $N_3 \leq 2\lambda c_1 c_5 V_p(\psi')$.

Thus,

$$V_p(\psi' - G') \leq (1 + c_1) V_p(\psi') + (\lambda + 1) c_1 c_5 V_p(\psi') + 2\lambda c_1 c_5 V_p(\psi'),$$

and passing to limit as $\lambda \rightarrow 1+$, we conclude that $V_p(\psi' - G') \leq (1 + c_1 + 4c_1 c_5) V_p(\psi')$.

This gives (7). Analogously, the following implication can also be proved (see the estimates (1.1), (2.3) and propos. 2.7 of [7]; cf. propos. of [9]).

Proposition 1'. Let ψ be as in Proposition 1 with a finite $p \geq 1$. Suppose that for some entire function G of class E_σ ($0 < \sigma < \infty$),

$$\|\psi - G\|_p \leq c_7 \sigma^{-1-1/p} V_p(\psi').$$

Then

$$\|\psi' - G'\|_p \leq c_8 \sigma^{-1/p} V_p(\psi').$$

Theorem 2. Suppose that f is a real-valued function of class BV^p ($1 \leq p < \infty$). Then for every finite $\sigma > 0$ there exists an entire function $T_\sigma^* \in B_\sigma$ satisfying the conditions:

$$1^0 \quad T_\sigma^*(x) \geq f(x) \text{ for all real } x,$$

$$2^0 \quad \|T_\sigma^* - f\|_p \leq c_9 \sigma^{-1/p} V_p(f),$$

$$3^0 \quad V_p(T_\sigma^* - f) \leq c_{10} V_p(f).$$

The proof is similar to that of Theorem 3 in [8].

Theorem 3. Let f be a real-valued function of class $W^r BV^p$ ($r \in \mathbb{N}$, $1 \leq p < \infty$). Then for every finite $\sigma > 0$ there exists an entire function $T_\sigma \in E_\sigma$ such that

$$1^0 \quad T_\sigma(x) \geq f(x) \text{ for all real } x,$$

$$2^0 \quad \|T_\sigma^{(v)} - f^{(v)}\|_p \leq \frac{c_{11}(r, v)}{\sigma^{r-v+1/p}} V_p(f^{(r)}),$$

$$3^0 \quad V_p(T_\sigma^{(v)} - f^{(v)}) \leq \frac{c_{12}(r, v)}{\sigma^{r-v}} V_p(f^{(r)}),$$

where $v = 0, 1, \dots, r-1$. Moreover, in the case when $f^{(r-1)} \in L$, the estimates in 2^0 and 3^0 also hold for $v = r$.

Proof. In view of Theorem 2, there is an entire function $T_{\sigma,r}^* \in B_{\sigma}$ ($\sigma > 0$), real-valued on \mathbb{R} , satisfying the inequalities

$$(10) \quad \begin{cases} \|T_{\sigma,r}^* - f^{(r)}\|_p \leq c_9 \sigma^{-1/p} V_p(f^{(r)}), \\ V_p(T_{\sigma,r}^* - f^{(r)}) \leq c_{10} V_p(f^{(r)}). \end{cases}$$

Suppose further that $\sigma \geq c > 0$. Retain the symbols $\Phi_r, P_{\sigma,r}, Q_{\sigma,r}$ defined in Section 2, and start with the identities

$$f(x) = F_c(x) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f^{(r)}(t) \Phi_r(x-t) dt$$

$$= F_c(x) + J_{\sigma}(x) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \{f^{(r)}(t) - T_{\sigma,r}^*(t)\} \Phi_r(x-t) dt \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}),$$

where F_c means some entire function of class E_{σ} and

$$J_{\sigma}(z) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_r(u) T_{\sigma,r}^*(z-u) du \quad (z = x + iy, \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R})$$

(see [1, Sect. 101]). It is easily seen that $J_{\sigma} \in B_{\sigma}$.

Introduce the auxiliary function

$$g(x) \equiv f(x) - F_c(x) - J_{\sigma}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \{f^{(r)}(t) - T_{\sigma,r}^*(t)\} \Phi_r(x-t) dt;$$

write

$$h^+(t) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \{ |f^{(r)}(t) - T_{\sigma,r}^*(t)| + f^{(r)}(t) - T_{\sigma,r}^*(t) \},$$

$$h^-(t) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \{ |f^{(r)}(t) - T_{\sigma,r}^*(t)| - f^{(r)}(t) + T_{\sigma,r}^*(t) \}.$$

Then

$$g(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^+(t) \Phi_r(x-t) dt - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^-(t) \Phi_r(x-t) dt \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}).$$

Putting

$$Y_{\sigma}(z) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^+(t) P_{\sigma,r}(z-t) dt - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^-(t) Q_{\sigma,r}(z-t) dt \quad (z = x + iy),$$

we have

$$(11) \quad \begin{aligned} Y_{\sigma}(x) - g(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^+(t) \{P_{\sigma,r}(x-t) - \Phi_r(x-t)\} dt \\ &\quad + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^-(t) \{\Phi_r(x-t) - Q_{\sigma,r}(x-t)\} dt. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $Y_{\sigma} \in B_{\sigma,p}$ and $Y_{\sigma}(x) \geq g(x)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Taking the entire function T_{σ} with values

$$(12) \quad T_{\sigma}(z) \equiv F_c(z) + J_{\sigma}(z) + Y_{\sigma}(z),$$

we observe that

$$(13) \quad T_{\sigma}(x) - f(x) = Y_{\sigma}(x) - g(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Hence,

$$T_\sigma \in E_\sigma \text{ and } T_\sigma(x) \geq f(x) \text{ on } \mathbb{R}.$$

From the identity (11) it follows that for each non-negative integer $v \leq r-1$,

$$\begin{aligned} Y_\sigma^{(v)}(x) - g^{(v)}(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^+(t) \{P_{\sigma,r}^{(v)}(x-t) - \Phi_r^{(v)}(x-t)\} dt \\ &\quad + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^-(t) \{\Phi_r^{(v)}(x-t) - Q_{\sigma,r}^{(v)}(x-t)\} dt \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by Minkowski's inequalities and Lemma 3,

$$\begin{aligned} \|Y_\sigma^{(v)} - g^{(v)}\|_p &\leq \|h^+\|_p \|P_{\sigma,r}^{(v)} - \Phi_r^{(v)}\|_1 + \|h^-\|_p \|\Phi_r^{(v)} - Q_{\sigma,r}^{(v)}\|_1 \\ &\leq 2 c_2(r, v) \sigma^{v-r} \|f^{(r)} - T_{\sigma,r}^*\|_p. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently (see (13) and (10)),

$$\|T_\sigma^{(v)} - f^{(v)}\|_p = \|Y_\sigma^{(v)} - g^{(v)}\|_p \leq 2 c_2(r, v) c_9 \sigma^{v-r-1/p} V_p(f^{(r)}).$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} V_p(Y_\sigma^{(v)} - g^{(v)}) &\leq V_p(h^+) \|P_{\sigma,r}^{(v)} - \Phi_r^{(v)}\|_1 \\ &\quad + V_p(h^-) \|\Phi_r^{(v)} - Q_{\sigma,r}^{(v)}\|_1 \leq 2 c_2(r, v) \sigma^{v-r} V_p(f^{(r)} - T_{\sigma,r}^*), \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$V_p(T_\sigma^{(v)} - f^{(v)}) = V_p(Y_\sigma^{(v)} - g^{(v)}) \leq 2 c_2(r, v) c_{10} \sigma^{v-r} V_p(f^{(r)}).$$

Thus, for T_σ defined by (12), the inequalities occurring in 1° and $2^\circ-3^\circ$ (with non-negative $v \leq r-1$) are proved.

Assuming that $f^{(r-1)} \in L$ and applying propositions 1 and 1', we get at once the desired assertion for $v=r$.

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